

COOLING, David Ian



Tēnā koutou, ko David Cooling tōku ingoa

It has been a privilege to represent our Community as a parent representative on the Roseneath School Board of Trustees over the past three years. I was elected in June 2016 and took on the role of Treasurer, and later that year I became the

Chair.

I have thoroughly enjoyed being a Trustee and have become actively engaged in the education sector. I represent Roseneath School, and also Chair the Stewardship Group of the Motu Kairangi Kāhui Ako (our Community of Learning). Last year I was also co-opted onto the Wellington and Wairarapa Regional Executive of the New Zealand School Trustees Association (NZSTA).

I would very much like to continue to be a Board member for a further three year term. Our family has enjoyed a long association with Roseneath School. Two of our children completed their primary schooling at Roseneath (Xanthe and Peregrine) and graduated as confident, connected, actively involved life-long learners. Allegra is currently in the Long Boat and is well on the way.

Roseneath School is fortunate to have an engaged and supportive community and a talented and passionate staff. On almost all measures, the achievement of our students is exceptional. The governance role of the Board is about ensuring that these great things remain, but also that, in times of change and almost constant review across most parts of education presently, the focus remains firmly on our ākonga and their learning, well-being and achievement.

I am confident that our Board has done a great job. We have: worked through an ERO review; strengthened governance; reset our vision and updated our values in consultation with our Community; hired excellent new teachers (and a Principal); aligned the budget to deliver funding against our strategic priorities and to provide for investment in our teachers and classroom equipment; led a focus on cultural responsiveness (including establishing a whanau group); overseen the creation of new teaching spaces, and refurbishment of the entrance and school hall; and, working with the Friends of Roseneath School, embarked on the redevelopment of our playground.

Finally, I would like to thank Adelle, and our teachers for their support of the Board, and look forward to working with them (hopefully) in the next term to continue to deliver on our vision of a vibrant, inclusive school community where children love to learn.

Ngā mihi nui

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DIXON, Elizabeth Mary



I'm Lizzy Dixon and my husband, Demian and I have two daughters, Pippa, who is 6 and in lower deck and Penelope who is 4. My background is in Secondary Education, where I have worked at Wellington College since 2002 and from 2007-2015 was the Head of Chemistry. I have been on the governance group for my local daycare for the last two years, so I have experience working through ERO reviews and the general running and maintenance of our centre. Currently I am a full time mum and do relief teaching at Wellington College. I am keen to be a part of the Roseneath School Board as a parent representative in order to help ensure that our children are getting the best possible support and education that we can offer. I see this role as an opportunity to share my knowledge of the education system and to make sure that we have policies in place to ensure Roseneath continues to grow and develop in a way that best meets the needs of our children. I am an excellent communicator and enjoy being a part of groups that can make change that benefit our school and the wider community. I love being a teacher, and there is no greater reward than seeing students light up with enthusiasm when they "get it". I would love the opportunity to work on the board to help shape the future of Roseneath School and to support our teachers, so that they can do this job of inspiring our children to be all that they can be.

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GILLIGAN, Patrick Francis



Hi – I'm Pat Gilligan and I am standing for re-election to the Roseneath School Board of Trustees. I have been on the BOT since 2017 in the role of Treasurer. The Board has worked hard over the past few years to get the School into a strong financial position and we are looking to continue this work into the future. A strong financial position means resources can be directed to where they best improve the achievement of all our learners. My wife Justine and I have two children at Roseneath – Frank in Year 6, and Goldie in Year 4. Our eldest Ned has just finished at Roseneath and left for College. We have been part of Roseneath School for nearly a decade. It has a great team of teachers and support staff, strong leadership, and a committed parent community. In terms of my professional background, I am a shareholder and director of a financial services company. I understand the importance of getting the financial side of things right at any level, be it in a privately held company or a school such as Roseneath. The BOT is responsible for allocating resources in order to get the best outcomes possible for student achievement. Effective financial governance is crucial to that and is a top priority for the Board. The Board represents and serves the school community. The learning, well-being, achievement and progress of our children is at the heart of everything that it does. It has been a privilege to be able to serve as a Trustee and support the Board. I hope that you will allow me to continue to do so.

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HARRISON, Kate

Tēnā koutou - my name is Kate Harrison and I have been privileged to be a Parent representative BoT member for Roseneath School over the past two years and I would very much like to continue on the Board for a further three year term.

My husband Woo (Chris) and I have two boys, Harry, who has just graduated Roseneath School and started college, and Gus who is now in year 6, and loving his time with Jenny Foote in the Long Boat. The boys have had a really positive time at school and we have loved watching them mature and progress through the years with the help of some enthusiastic and dedicated teachers, and a great new Principal at the helm. I'm also a member of the 'Friends of Roseneath' Fundraising Committee and have enjoyed being part of a great team of hardworking volunteers. With my experience in running various small businesses, I believe I can offer practical expertise as a member of the Board. I possess a broad range of skills relevant to school trusteeship, in particular, analytical thinking, strategic development, accountability and good communication skills.

Our current BoT has successfully worked through an ERO review, worked with the community to reset our charter vision and values, strategic and annual plans, hired excellent new staff, and with the help of the whole community upgraded the school property and playgrounds. With great governance in place, it has meant the Roseneath BoT has been a productive team with the on-going education and wellbeing of all staff and students at the heart of all our decisions.

Thank you for taking the time to consider me as your trustee, it would be a privilege to work representing you and your whanau again.

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HOCKLEY, Ralph Neil



Hi, I'm a father of a 9 year-old that has recently joined Roseneath. My wife is Mary Somsai. We also have a 2 year-old who we hope to follow her brother into Roseneath. We are new in Wellington and neither have I been a part of a school board before. Despite that, I believe that I have skills and a perspective to share that I believe to be of value.

My experience of schooling is various. I grew up in New Zealand, from where I was brought up and went through Rangiora Borough Primary and Rangiora High. Also from London, UK from a couple of schools that our son came through. Special Needs figured as our child has needed extra support, this required energy and engagement with our child's educators to get the best results.

I believe that diversity in thought and being is a strength that should be grown. I also believe that this can be achieved in tandem with striving for the best that we can hope for our children. Community is a crucial part of pulling those ends together.

I have a degree in both Electronic Engineering and in English Literature. I currently work for a local software company (Xero) as a People Lead. In that role, I lead a small team in a collaborative environment.

Thank you.

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